



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

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SHIZUKUISHI

Art Unit: 2878

Application No.: 10/660,772

Examiner: B. Livedalen

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Attorney Dkt. No.: 107317-00061

For: NON-VOLATILE SOLID STATE IMAGE PICKUP DEVICE AND ITS DRIVE

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND
REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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April 21, 2006

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed January 24, 2006, and the attached Request for Continued Examination, entry of the following amendment is respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in a listing of the claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

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